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Clayton County Senior Services To Hold March For Meals Campaign
Support will help to continue feeding homebound seniors in the community

Jonesboro, GA – Clayton County Senior Services Meals On Wheels Program will once again participate in the March For Meals campaign. A national campaign held during the month of March, initiated and sponsored by the Meals On Wheels Association of America, to raise awareness of senior hunger and to encourage action on the part of local communities to support the lifesaving, quality of life program.

To officially launch the 2013 March For Meals campaign in Clayton County a proclamation was presented by Chairman Jeffrey Turner during the Board of Commissioners March 5th Business Meeting declaring the month “March For Meals Month” in Clayton County. Other events include a special meal delivery to homebound Meals On Wheels seniors by community leaders and volunteers. Beginning on Monday, March 18, County Commissioners will deliver hot meals to Meals On Wheels clients in their districts. The following day public safety officials from the Fire and Emergency Response department, the Sheriff’s Office, and Corrections Department, will partner with Meals On Wheels drivers to drop off meals to seniors on Tuesday, March 19, throughout the county. Wrapping up on Wednesday, March 20, Clayton County mayors will join thousands of other mayors nationwide, as they also take time out of their busy schedules to deliver a hot nutritious meal to a homebound resident within their community for Mayors For Meals Day.

“In this tough economy, the food and human contact we provide to seniors in Clayton County is needed more than ever,” said Mary Byrd, Senior Services Director, “Therefore, we are in need of the community’s support for our Meals On Wheels Program through volunteering and financial donations. Our clients count on us to deliver what unfortunately may be their only nutritious meal of the day and we can’t let them down. We truly appreciate the support we’re receiving from all of our campaign volunteers.”

In 2012 Clayton County Meals On Wheels program provided 3,459 nutritious meals per month and 41,496 meals per year to seniors throughout the county. These meals have allowed many county residents to remain independent in their homes for as long as possible. To find out more about the Meals On Wheels program or to make a donation contact Clayton County Senior Services at 770-603-4050.

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